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Weather Forecast

Saturday




High:75  
Low:49

Friday



High:69  
Low:46

Sunday





High:72  
Low:47

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Fort Riley

Post





From old to new again

SFC Nancy Powell, 3rd Brigade, 75th Division, has an interesting hobby, she makes the old into new again.

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If you receive a suspicious letter or package, what should you do?

PERSONAL

No Return Address

SPECIAL DELIVERY

Excessive Postage

1 Handle with care. Don't shake or bump

2 Isolate and look for indicators

3 Don't Open, Smell or Taste

4 Treat it as Suspect Call 911

Excessive Tape

Oily Stains

Wrong Title with Name

Protruding Wires

Source: FBI

# Anthrax investigations continue across U.S.

**By Christie Vanover**  
*Staff Writer*

The Centers for Disease Control and FBI are investigating exposures and potential exposures of anthrax in several states.

Many communities around the country, including Fort Riley, have reported suspicious mail concerned it may contain anthrax spores.

As of Wednesday morning, Fort Riley officials had responded to half a dozen reports, all of which were false alarms.

"About 50 percent of the incidents were in residential areas and the other 50 percent in non-residential," said John Boyd, Fort Riley fire chief.

"Since Oct. 1, the FBI has responded to more than 2,300 incidents or suspected incidents involving anthrax or other dangerous agents," FBI Director Robert S. Mueller III, said in a press release Tuesday.

His agency and the CDC are continuing to investigate at American Media, Inc. and the Boca Raton Post Office in Fla.; ABC and NBC studios and Governor George Pataki's office in New York and Senator Tom Daschle's Office in Washington, D.C.

Anthrax, caused by spore-forming bacteria, is a rapidly progressing infection that can be contracted through the skin, by consuming contaminated meat or by inhaling bacteria or spores, according to the official Department of Defense anthrax website.

"The greatest threat with the most deadly consequences comes from inhaled anthrax," according to DoD. A 73-year-old Florida man died after he was diagnosed with this form of anthrax earlier this month.

According to a recent CDC Health Advisory, people should not panic because the disease can be prevented after exposure by early treatment with appropriate antibiotics. Additionally, it

is not spread from person to person.

Although still under investigation, it appears the spores were transported to their intended destinations via the mail. The FBI is testing, analyzing and comparing powders from the letters sent to Tom Brokaw and Daschle's office.

Anthrax spores are odorless, colorless and tasteless; therefore, to avoid potential contact with contaminated or harmful letters or packages, Fort Riley has taken prudent measures to protect its soldiers, civilians and family members.

Mail handlers are trained to spot suspicious packages by looking for key characteristics, which the U.S. Postal Service and FBI have deemed appropriate.

Some of these include: excessive tape, oily stains, protruding wires, misspelled words, excessive postage and an unknown or missing return address.

"The first thing someone should do if they suspect a letter or package, is to put

## Chaplain cares for soldiers' spirits

**By Natalie Schlotman**  
*50th PAD*

For some soldiers, duty in the Kabal can present not only physical challenges, but mental ones as well.

Thanks to Chaplain (Capt.) Grady L. Gentry, Task Force 1st Battalion, 34th Armor's chaplain, soldiers in need of counseling and support have a place to turn, even if they are in the middle of the desert.

Gentry, who is the only chaplain in the Kabal, provides religious activities including weekly church services and bible studies to soldiers of all faiths.

"I'm here to provide religious liberty to soldiers. If for some reason I can't provide a certain religious service, I can get someone who can," he said.

A baptism ceremony held Oct. 12 is an example of how the chaplain's service can turn the religious wishes of soldiers into a reality.

Sgt. Wende Michaud, with 554th Military Police Company and PFC Cameron Beakley, Company A, 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry, asked Gentry to hol a baptism ceremony.

So, with the help of the Heavy Decontamination Platoon, Gentry granted their wishes by baptizing the soldiers in a blivit, a canvas bag that holds water.

"I feel really good about myself. There are no words to describe this experience," Beakley said after his baptism.

"It's a once in a lifetime opportunity, and I'm glad I had the chance to do it."

"When soldiers come to me for counseling, I see them go from being upset, to having peace. That makes my job rewarding," said Gentry.

Soldiers returning from NTC, download vehicles off the railhead in preparation for movement to unit motor pools Wednesday.

## Troops fight turn-in battle

**By Jeremy Heckler**  
*19th Public Affairs Det.*

The men and machines of 3rd Brigade, 1st Armored Division rolled into the Dustbowl early Oct. 6, after their battles with the NTC's Opposing Forces and began their final battle of making their machines ready for turn-in.

"This is where the real battle begins," said Sgt. Robert Melius, 3rd Brigade unit ministry team.

"All our guys are working hard to get everything replenished for the next rotation," said SSgt. Delwin Ferguson, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Brigade motor sergeant. "Our goal is to get every-

thing ready to train and train to fight."

Mechanics and operators worked in the regeneration yard ensuring the vehicles were ready for inspection.

"We've been out there breaking tracks and replacing road wheels and getting ready to turn our vehicles in," said PFC Jessica Bobbett, 172nd Chemical Co. Bobbett said she was nervous about turn-in because many of her vehicles had faults.

"Turn in is pretty rough because the contractors are tough," said 1st Lt. David Sadler, Battery C, 4th Battalion, 1st Field Artillery. He said his crews worked 24-hours-a-day in order to get the vehicles up to standard.

"There are a lot of man-

hours involved. From the time it takes to get stuff as well as the number of people needed to get equipment running equates to long working hours," said Ferguson.

He said his soldiers will put in, on average 18 to 20 hours a day, with little sleep in between.

Ferguson said once the vehicles enter the yard his team takes over and gets them home.

Supplying the mechanics on the line with sustenance are groups of cooks who ensure everyone is fed and can go on a few more hours to get the job done. They know they can't afford to go back and eat with everyone else as the time slowly comes off the clock.

Overseeing everything is a team of civilian contractors who go through several checklists to ensure the vehicles are ready to go.

"They are just doing their jobs and making sure that no one takes shortcuts," said Ferguson.

Getting through the maintenance yard and into the quality control yard begins another series of waits for vehicle operators.

"This process is all about the waits," said Melius. He said there are long waits for vehicle repairs before moving on to the quality control line. It can become a cycle as vehicles are sent back to the turn in yard for deficiencies.

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## Sniper teams turn darkness into target hunt

**By Jeremy Heckler**  
*19th Public Affairs Det.*

Under the cover of darkness, two men quietly stole into position. As the team found its target and one man locked onto his objective in the crosshairs, the other watched carefully, spotting for his teammate.

Once the weapon is fired and the target is eliminated, these soldiers are far from the end of their mission. Entering a zone where they are tasked with a mission is certainly dan-

gerous, however, after their objective is met, they still have to find their way back to the unit.

To the snipers of the 3rd Brigade Combat Team, their job is to hunt down the enemy one man at a time.

An eight-man sniper squad works as three teams made up of a sniper and a spotter, the fourth two-man team consists of the commander and a radio telephone operator.

"We go out in teams of two on offense or defense and

attack targets of opportunity," said 1st Lt. Steven Brothers, officer in charge of the snipers. Those targets of opportunity include tank commanders, gunners, drivers and anyone exposed. During the current National Training Center rotation Brothers estimated that his team took out a company of the Opposing Force.

"Out there it is just you and the spotter and nobody else," said Cpl. Major Howard, a sniper with the second team. "Everyone out here knows they

can rely on everyone else."

Howard said the crews spend long hours in the field waiting for their targets. Each two-man team must rely on each other. Not only when selecting and firing on targets, but also when one of them takes a few minutes to rest.

"When I rest I know that my spotter is going to do the right thing," said Howard.

While it is the sniper who pulls the trigger, it is the spotter that keeps everyone safe.

"I am the second set of eyes

out there I make sure to keep my eyes on the target and everywhere else for any targets that could compromise us," said Spec. Eddie Villapando, 3rd team leader and a spotter himself. Villapando tracks the target and gives instructions to his sniper as to whether his shots are long or short or left or right.

These infantry troopers enjoy the field and insist it is the best training.

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## Army honors Eisenhower

**By Kevin Doheny**  
*Staff Writer*

"There are no second class citizens in this country."

These words, spoken by the 34th President of the United States, Dwight D. Eisenhower during a 1952 stump speech are still relevant today.

Family, friends, veterans and other supporters gathered to honor one of the nation's most respected presidents with a wreath-laying ceremony Saturday at Eisenhower Center in Abilene.

During the ceremony, another small tribute to Eisenhower was given at the Place of Meditation, where he, his wife, Mamie, and his first-born son, Doud Dwight, are interred.

During the tribute, the official party, which included Air Force Maj. Gen. Gregory Gardner, adjutant general of Kansas and CSM Richard Hearron, 24th Infantry Division command sergeant major, held a brief memorial service to demonstrate the military's respect for the late commander-in-chief.

After a prayer was offered and "Taps" was played, the official party left the building, where others were gathered to pay their respects.

Eisenhower, who was born in Denison, Texas, in 1890, moved to Abilene when he was just two years old, according to the Kansas Heritage Center for Family and Local History.

The third of seven sons of David and Ida Eisenhower, Dwight went on to graduate from Abilene High School in 1909.

From there Eisenhower later entered the United States Military Academy, West Point, N.Y., June 14, 1911, and graduated June 12, 1915. He was then commissioned to second lieutenant in September 1915.

He married Mamie July 1, 1916, and became a father in Sept. 1927. The second of his sons was born in August 1922.

After serving with the infantry, he served with the Tank Corps from February 1918 to January 1922 at Camp Meade, Md., Camp Colt, Pa., Camp Dix, N.J., Fort Benning, Ga., and Fort Meade, Md.

He was promoted to first lieutenant July 1, 1916, captain May 15, 1917 and major July 2, 1920.

Eisenhower entered Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kan., Aug. 19, 1925, and finished first in his class of 245 in 1926.

After attending the CGSS, he served as the battalion commander for the 24th Infantry Division at Fort Benning for five months.


He was then assigned to American Battle Monuments, directed by Gen. John J. Pershing, serving in Washington writing a guidebook to World War I battlefields, and then revising it a year later.


In August 1927, Eisenhower entered the Army War College, then in Washington, and graduated in June 1928. In July 1936, he was promoted to lieutenant colonel.

Taking many commands between 1936 and 1942, Eisenhower was appointed to major general Aug. 30, 1943. In the same year he appointed the Supreme Commander for the Allied Expeditionary Forces. He commanded the forces in the invasion of Normandy, and was promoted to General of the Army in 1944, according to the Kansas Heritage Center for Family and Local History.

He announced his candidacy for the Republican Party nomination in 1952, and later in the

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# Bulldog barristers assist commander

By *Peter Chadwick*  
*19th Public Affairs Det.*

**FORT IRWIN, Calif.**—JAG stands for Judge Advocate General, the military’s legal assistance section.

Those not indoctrinated by television’s high-flying naval counselor probably visualize air-conditioned offices, high-back ed leather chairs and polished mahogany courtrooms.

But the law experts at Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Brigade, 1st Armored Division don’t work in those glorified environments especially at the National Training Center where they recently supported the Brigade’s deployment.

They operated in a canvassed corner of the brigade’s Tactical Operation Center on folding chairs and field tables.

“Many people we run into in the field say, “What are you doing here?” said Sgt. Jeremy Bailey, legal administrator.

Bailey said he has to explain to them their jobs are more than dealing with the Uniform Code of Military Justice, the Army’ legal rulebook.

During armed conflicts, JAG also handles such things as the law of war, Prisoner of War treatment, fratricide and property claims, he said.

“My main roll is to advise the commander on law of war,” said Capt. John Nicoll, 3rd Brigade trial counsel.

Nicoll said he works with the brigade staff during the planning process for battle and assists in the execution of that plan. He also listens in at the Bulldogs’ TOC to keep up with the current operation and lend his expertise when need-

ed. “We make sure every one knows the rules of engagement,” said Nicoll.

Bailey said his section briefed the soldiers deploying here to NTC on ROE and the handling of refugees.

“We provide displaced personnel with a collection point,” said Bailey.

These points are safe havens for people who have been left homeless by the enemy activity.

In addition to homeless civilians, the Bulldog barristers are also involved with prisoners of war.

“We treat them right in hopes they’ll reciprocate,” said Bailey “It also encourages surrender. This was clearly evident in the Gulf War where prisoners were not afraid to surrender.”

While caring for refugees and welcoming POWs can have an “up” side, there are those duties the legal eagles hope never happen.

Bailey said his office is part of the investigation team if there should be a suspected case of friendly fire or fratricide.

“An officer is appointed to investigate and we go to help,” said Bailey.

Bailey said they have 48 hours in which to come up with results.

These events are mocked-up for training purposes and help the JAG members and the units they support prepare. But there is one event that can be “real world” even in the training environment.

“We investigate and pay claims,” said Bailey.

Bailey said, for example, if one of the brigade’s five-ton trucks ran into a civilian’s vehicle, they would handle the claim.



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## Impounded

**Approximately 150 cars on Fort Riley have been towed due to the lack of proper post registration. Patrons are encouraged to voluntarily register their vehicles or move unregistered vehicles off post or into a designated lot. Vehicle registration is in Bldg. 210, Mondays through Fridays.**

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Garrison Commander speaks . . .

# Preventing domestic violence

Statistics show that every nine seconds a woman is assaulted. Three million children witness Domestic Violence on an annual basis. Thirty seven percent of emergency room visits are a direct result of domestic violence. Domestic violence is not a “family affair;” it’s everyone’s business.

Through S.J. Resolution 91, the Congress has designated October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The Fort Riley installation will join in with the Department of Defense nationwide to bring awareness to the problem of Domestic Abuse.

In observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Family Advocacy Program is sponsoring many activities on- and off-post throughout the month. Activities include information booths, stress management classes, parenting classes, a

fun run. A health fair was held at the Municipal Building in Junction City, Oct. 13.

Last year, the traveling Silent Witness Exhibit, which was displayed in several locations at Fort Riley, in Manhattan and Junction City, sent a very powerful message about the reality of domestic violence.

The silhouettes consisted of 13 women and one child whose lives where abruptly ended at the hands of an abuser.

This year the Crisis Center, Better Business Women of Manhattan, The United Way, K-State along with the Family Advocacy Program will sponsor the 2001

Resist Violence Fun Run.

The run will take place on Onsite Avenue, Manhattan, beginning at 12:30 p.m. Sunday. The 2001 Resist Violence Fun Run is a 5K-Run/Walk competition in which the top three contenders in seven age groups will receive a prize.

There will also be entertainment, a petting zoo, and the camaraderie of local citizens working toward positive change.

Those interested in participating in the run may contact Family Advocacy at 239-9435 (ask for Michele).

The military has a zero tolerance for abuse. Everyone has the right to safety, dignity and respect.

The Family Advocacy Program along with the help of concerned citizens is striving to make Fort Riley a safe place to live, work, and play.

Townhall Message:

By Col. Philip Pope  
Garrison Commander

## Word On The Street

“Due to the recent anthrax scares, are you using any extra precautions opening your personal mail?”



***“I’ve been watching my mail more closely. If I see anything suspicious, I’ll call the Military Police.”***

*Spec. Andrew Stewart  
1st. Main. Co.  
541st Main.*



***“We don’t open any mail that is unexpected and that we don’t recognize.”***

*Sgt. Scott Newcomer  
523rd MP Co.  
LEC*



***“I watch my mail for unfamiliar return addresses. If a package shows up that I’ve not ordered, I’ll call the post office or the company that is on the return address.”***

*Mike Hanback  
Retired Air Force*

## Commentary

By Charry Chadwick  
Family Member

I was reading the Oct. 12 issue of the Fort Riley Post and found myself so upset and appalled that I just had to write to express my disbelief and my concern for this “America’s Army.”

The Word On The Street question for that issue was “How has your life been affected by the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11?”

The first respondent, a PFC, said it affected her life tremendously both financially and emotionally.

She went on to say that it has been traumatic. I did not even stop to consider what she was saying because her feelings mirrored my own.

It seemed as though it was just one more person among millions that had the same feelings I did.

So I continued reading. The second respondent said the events of the past month have not affected her life much.

I cannot express my shock and disbelief. This specialist goes on to say “It just takes quite a bit longer getting on post to work.”

Is this specialist so totally unaware that we are now at war? Not just in some far away country but right here on our own sacred soil.

Is she so unaware that those soldiers making her life so unbearable by asking to see her ID any time she enters post are standing guard there not only to protect her but also our way of life?

They are there so that we can feel safe sending our children off to school and our spouses to work.

Dawn Loduha  
1 x 1.5"  
Black Only  
Land shark

They stand out there in the rain and the cold and, here in the future, they will be standing in the snow to protect someone that finds what they are doing an inconvenience.

I sat in that line that very first day two hours waiting to get on post just outside of the stone wall in Ogden. Was I happy? No! Was I grateful? Most definitely!

Every time I go in or out of the gate on my way to or from work or church, I make it a point to say thank you to that soldier.

They may think that they are just doing a job that they have been trained to do. But to me they stand there protecting everything that I hold dear. Behind that gate are my family, my friends, my neighbors.

The last respondent a Civilian contractor said, “It hasn’t affected my life any. At least, not yet.” Well what exactly would it take to affect this man’s life. In a matter of an hour thousands of people are dead or missing. Others are literally fighting for their lives. Yet others, are putting their lives at risk to save a stranger.

Thousands of parents will have memorial services for their grown children that will never know the joy of marriage or having children. Husbands who will never

again be able to say that last I love you to their wives. Sisters, brothers, aunts and uncles, all gone within minutes. But worst of all, moms and dads who now leave behind small, orphaned children.

Does it not make one at least-stop and think about your own mortality?

What will it take for this tragedy to hit home for you? I pray that it won’t be much more.

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House Ad Please Fill

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Black Only  
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## Work Force Address

The Garrison Commander will address the civilian work force Nov. 13. There will be two sessions; one at 10 a.m. and one at 2 p.m. Due to limited parking space available and to avoid traffic congestion on Custer Hill, the Directorate of Logistics will provide buses to transport employees to and from the address.

## PT Road Closure

Custer Hill is “closed” during PT hours 6:30-7:30 a.m. in accordance with the standard PT closure plan. The only vehicles allowed access into the “closed” area are tactical vehicles conducting guard shift change, LOGPAC, and other force protection related missions (however, units should make every attempt to minimize the need for access). Vehicles that are operating within the closed area must exercise extreme caution and operate at reduced speeds.

## Fall Cleanup

Fort Riley’s Fall Cleanup is scheduled for Monday-Oct. 26.

## Ghost Tours

The Historical and Archaeological Society of Fort Riley's annual Ghost Tour is scheduled for Oct. 28, from 4 - 8 p.m. It is open to ID cardholders and their guests. The line will form in front of the Custer House. Volunteers are needed, call 717-2818.

## Shoppe News

The Shoppe continues to have a large inventory of fall items so remember to stop by when you are decorating for this season. The Shoppe will have a Christmas open house Nov. 3 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Stop by and enjoy refreshments and new holiday ideas. The Shoppe is located in Bldg. 259 Stuart Ave. (just west of the Commanding General’s Mounted Color Guard Stables). Phone 785-239-2783. Hours of operation are 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday.

## Thrift Shop

The Fort Riley Thrift Shop is located in Bldg. 267 on Stuart Avenue near the stables. Store hours are 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday and 10 a.m.-1 p.m. on the first Saturday of each month.

Consignments are accepted from 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. on Tuesdays and 10 a.m.-noon on open Saturdays. For information, call 784-3874.

## Cross Country Race

The Battalion-Level Cross Country Post Championship will be conducted Nov. 1 at the Custer Hill Golf Course. The Women's Open Division, the Women's Masters Division and the Men's Masters Division course will be approximately 2.6 miles and begin at 3 p.m. The Men's Open Division course will be approximately 5.2 miles beginning at 3:45 p.m. Participants in the Masters Division must be 35 years of age by Nov. 1.

# Courts Martial

Below are the results of recent courts martial held at Fort Riley provided by the Staff Judge Advocate.

◆ At a General Court-Martial held May 15-16 Sgt. Billy G. Stover., Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 13th Armor, was found guilty of larceny of government property and conspiracy to commit larceny of government property.

While serving as a company supply sergeant, Stover acquired numerous items of property using his company’s IMPAC credit card account.

Stover diverted and/or sold the property to numerous friends and pawn shops in the local area. The suspicious transactions were reported to the unit and CID.

It was determined that Stover, working with a civilian accomplice, was responsible for purchasing the property through unit accounts and then selling the property.

Stover was sentenced as follows: reduction to E-1, forfeiture of all pay and allowances, confinement for 39 months, and a

Each battalion is authorized to enter one Women's Open team consisting of five members. The top four runners will count for team score. Each battalion is authorized one Men's Open team consisting of seven members with the top six counting for team scoring.

A roster of battalion team members will be forwarded to the Sports Office no later than Oct. 26. Rosters must include full name, rank, unit, duty phone, and division. For questions, call BarrySunstrom at 239-3945.

## Wrestling Clinic

A wrestling clinic is set for Oct. 22 at King Field House beginning at 6:30 p.m. The clinic is open to all active duty military who will be participating in the Post Battalion Level Wrestling tournament scheduled for Nov. 5-7. The purpose of the clinic is to familiarize those participants with the current United States Amateur Wrestling Rules that will govern all matches in the upcoming wrestling event.

All wrestlers are required to obtain and pass a physical within two weeks of the initial weigh-in scheduled for Nov. 5. Physical cards are available at the sports office. For questions, call Barry Sunstrom at 239-3945.

## Retirement Ceremony

Among those retiring Oct. 31 at Riley’s is CSM James Kirkland, who is retiring from the Army after 30 years of active duty.

## Day of Obligation

St. Mary’s Catholic Community is hosting Holy Day of Obligation ceremonies Nov. 1. A Mass is scheduled for noon at the Hospital Chapel and an evening Mass at 7 p.m. at St. Mary’s Chapel.

## Protestant Women Meet

Protestant Women of the Chapel meet Tuesdays from 9-11 a.m. and Thursdays 7-9 p.m. at Morris Hill Chapel. Watchcare is provided. For information, call 239-3359 or 784-4926.

## Immunizations

Adult immunizations for military family members and retirees will be suspended until further notice. Well baby and childhood immunizations will not be affected except for the Tetanus-Diphtheria vaccine. Health departments in the local area can provide immunizations, but a fee may be charged. Contact the health department prior to your visit to check immunization availability and any fee you will be responsible for. For more information, call 785-239-7250.

## CYS Basketball

Child and Youth Services basketball registration runs Oct. 29 through Nov. 9. Registrations are being taken at the CYS Central Enrollment Registry Office, Bldg. 6620 Normandy Drive, Custer Hill.

The program is open to second through sixth graders. The season runs December to March.

## Halloween Hours

Fort Riley’s Halloween trick-or-treat hours for Oct. 31 will be 5-8 p.m.

## Skating Rink

Riley Wheels Skating Rink, located inside King Field House, Main Post, is available for rent for private functions. For details call 239-2243.

## Enlisted Spouses

The Fort Riley Enlisted Spouses' Club's monthly membership meeting will be held Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Armed Services YMCA located on 16th and Washington in Junction City. RSVP child care at 762-6401 no later than Tuesday.

## Vehicle Registration

All vehicles on post must have a valid DoD registration sticker affixed to the windshield or a valid access pass clearly posted in the windshield.

Vehicles without valid stickers or passes must be moved off-post permanently (or until registered),

or into a designated lot (until registered or moved permanently off-post). You are encouraged to voluntarily register or move unregistered vehicles off-post or into a designated lot at Bldg. 7780.

Vehicles without stickers or passes will be tagged. After 12 hours, if not moved, they will be towed to a designated lot. Contact PMO at 239-3245 for vehicle registration. Contact DOL at 239-3504 for status of towed vehicles.

## Eagle Scout

Jason Miller, 15, the son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Brick Miller, received the Eagle Scout Award in a Court of Honor ceremony Oct. 14 at Main Post Chapel.

## Haunted House

Halloween Haunted House set Oct. 26-27.

B.O.S.S. (Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers) will sponsor its Halloween Haunted House Friday and Saturday, Oct. 26-27. The Haunted House will be staged in Bldg. 208, Custer Avenue, Main Post, Fort Riley. Admission will cost \$2. The Haunted House is divided into two sections with the first floor area suitable for

younger children and the second floor is “come if you dare!” This is the third year B.O.S.S. has sponsored the Haunted House project.

## Apple Day Delivery

Pre-orders for Apple Day pies for those who live off-post is scheduled for pick-up at Wal-Mart parking lot in Junction City today from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. A freezer truck will be stationed in the parking lot.

## Community Basketball

The Fort Riley Community Life Sports Program is now taking team registrations for the 2001-

Great Plains Theatre Festival  
2 x 7"  
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The Miracle worker

Little Apple Honda Toyota  
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In Brief

ing this period of construction for the next 30 days.

Temporary traffic signal lights will be installed while the permanent installation of the new signals is being completed. Orange traffic signs, cones, barrels and flashing safety lights will mark off the work zones.

The posted speed limit through this area has been reduced to 25 m.p.h.

Holiday Reservations

Riley's Conference Center is taking reservations for the upcoming holiday season.

Units, groups and organizations are encouraged to plan ahead and make reservations now for catered parties, functions and events.

Riley's catering hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and appointments can be made for Saturday. Information on catering, banquet and party options is available by calling 784-5999.

Bible Study

A weekly Bible Study is set for 7 p.m. every Monday at 41C Sheridan Place. For information, call 717-3072/1565 or 784-6146.

Energy Awareness

The slogan for energy awareness month, held in October, is "Conserve Energy-Save Now or Pay Later." For questions relating

to Energy Awareness, contact the Energy coordinator at Bldg. 307, Self Help School at 239-3416/3757. The next Self Help School schedule is Oct. 15-19.

Historical Renovations

Fort Riley is planning to renovate several historic buildings on the installation. The buildings are 240, 251, 301 and 302. For more information contact the historic architect at 785-239-0443.

Worship Service

A Protestant Liturgical Worship Service has resumed at St. Mary's Chapel every Sunday at 8:30 a.m. For information, call 239-5313/5711.

Running Clinic

Celebrate National Physical Therapy Month by participating in the Running Clinic at King Field House, Main Post today, from 4-8 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. For information please call 239-7964.

Family Symposiums

Fort Riley will conduct its annual Family Action Symposium Oct. 25-26 at the Soldier and Family Support Center. The Youth Symposium is scheduled Saturday at the Teen Center. During both symposiums issues will be discussed, prioritized and rec-

ommended for further actions. If you would like to submit an issue or learn more about the symposiums, please contact Betsy Young at 239-9435/4758 or e-mail at [youngb@riley.army.mil](mailto:youngb@riley.army.mil).

ASOS Haunted House

The 10th ASOS Haunted House is scheduled for Oct. 26-27 from 7-10 p.m. Cost for ages 7 and under is \$1, cost for 8 and up is \$2. For information, call 239-6338 or 239-6842.

Cancellation

The Jefferson Elementary School Carnival previously scheduled for Oct. 19 has been cancelled.

Golf Tourney

The Custer Hill Golf Course Club Championship Tournament was played last weekend. Winner in the men's championship flight was Mike Steffens and ladies' winner was Fran Dinklekamp. Both will receive gift certificates, Army Golf Champion bag tags and decorative posters listing the Army winners, presented to the Custer Hill Golf Course winners by the Community and Family Support Center (CFSC). The results of the 36-hole tourney follow. Championship Flight: 1st, Steffens, 158; 2nd, Kevin Sickinger, 165; 3rd, John Stewart, 168. First Flight: 1st, Jim Scott, 174; 2nd, Bruce Watson, 183; 3rd,

John Alapai, 186; 4th, Jeff Leedy, 194. Ladies' Flight: 1st, Dinklekamp, 191; 2nd, Beth (Libby) Barnaby, 207.

AFTB Classes

Army Family Team Building is holding an Instructor Training course (2 1/2 days) Nov. 5-6 from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. and Nov. 8 from 8:30 a.m.-noon. The next Level I class will be held Nov. 14 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Both courses will be held in the Family Readiness Center. Child-care is provided for the Instructor Training course. Call 239-1366/9435 to register or you can email us for more information at: [DCAARMY@riley.army.mil](mailto:DCAARMY@riley.army.mil).

Decal Return

All personnel (military, civilian, and contract) who own a vehicle with a DoD sticker must remove the sticker before selling the vehicle. This will assist in deterring attempts to gain unauthorized access to military installations.

School Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences are coming up! Soldiers who have school age children are encouraged to attend.

The current policy is that a soldier's place of duty is at conferences. Notes have been sent home telling parents the dates and times of conferences.

College money converted

By Jerry Brecheisen

DCA

Certain Veteran's Educational Assistance Program era active duty soldiers may convert to the Montgomery GI Bill if they make the decision and complete the conversion by October 31, 2001, according to Kay Gatzka, Chief of Counseling and Testing at the Army Education Center.

"This opportunity to enroll is a one time opportunity and VEAP eligible soldiers who are planning on going to school should certainly look at the benefits and seriously consider the conversion," Gatzka said.

To be eligible for the conversion, a soldier must have been a VEAP participant on or before October 9, 1996 and have served continuously on active duty from October 9, 1996 through April 1, 2000. VEAP participants are defined as soldiers who opened a VEAP account and do not need contributions remaining in their account to be eligible.

"The Education Center has a list of VEAP participants. Education Counselors can check the list to determine if a soldier is eligible," Gatzka said. "To convert the soldier signs a DD form 2366 and pays \$2,700. The DD form 2366 must be signed no later than October 31, 2001," she added.

There are several payment options, according to Gatzka.

Payment may be made by a lump sum payment of \$2,700, by payroll reduction or by a lump sum payment and a payroll reduction. If a soldier makes a lump sum payment, MGIB benefits can be used immediately. The payroll reduction option is pre-tax but there are no benefits available during the time pay is being reduced. Payment is coordinated with the local finance office.

"Some soldiers may have money remaining in their VEAP accounts," Gatzka said. "In those cases soldiers will submit a VA form 5281 through local finance to the VA Regional office for a refund. The request for a refund closes the VEAP account and terminates enrollment."

Soldiers are entitled to receive 36 months of full-time educational benefits, provided they have not used more than 12 months of benefits under VEAP. Soldiers must look at their educational goals and understand that they would need to use five months of full-time MGIB benefits to make the conversion worthwhile, according to Gatzka.

"Army Education Counselors will assist soldiers in determining how the conversion will work for them and the benefits available. Education Counselors will also assist in the completion of required documents for the conversion," she added.

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year won the nomination. He went on to serve two terms as President of the United States from 1953 to 1961, and saw the end to the Korean War, promoted Atoms for Peace, and dealt with crises in Lebanon, Suez, Berlin and Hungary. Eisenhower died March 28, 1969 at Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington. He was brought to the Eisenhower center and buried April 2. Year after year family, friends, veterans, and others join together in prayer, and remembrance to pay tribute to a leader as a soldier, and a leader as a president. Eisenhower is one of only two Army Chiefs of Staff not buried at Arlington National Cemetery. Through the twice annual wreath-laying ceremonies, Fort Riley ensures this former military and political leader is honored Eisenhower, a leader during many trials of the American people and American military often spoke of this county’s resolve. Another statement he made also rings true today. “Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired signifies, in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are clothed and not cold. This world in arms is not spending money alone. It is spending the money of its laborers, the genius of its scientists, and the hopes of its children. This is not the way of life at all, in any true sense. Under the cloud of threatening war, it is humanity hanging from a cross of iron.”

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“You can’t rush things here you can only prolong it,” said Melius. “No matter what you do to get ahead of the game you still leave at the same time.” For operators and mechanics the ultimate goal is to get their vehicles turned in and climb aboard the first available flight back to Fort Riley. “Everyone is pushing to get everything ready to be on that first flight home,” said Sadler. “I’m resigned to staying here until we get the job done. Whoever else stays behind with me will have fun,” said Spec. Joe Parish, 172nd Chemical Co. Soldiers returning from the NTC assisted in unloading the brigade’s vehicles from rail cars through Wednesday of this week marking the wrap-up of the BCT’s mission. The last of the soldiers deployed in support of the NTC rotation are returning via convoy and are expected back at Fort Riley Sunday.

# Anthrax

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An anthrax vaccination plan that involved vaccinating the entire United States Armed Forces through phased immunization program between now and 2005 was approved in May 1998 by Secretary of Defense William Cohen. According to DoD, the vaccine is currently only designated to specific military units and personnel involved in research due to a limited production capacity. It is not available to health care providers or the general public. “The likelihood of getting pulmonary anthrax is extremely low,” said Capt. Robert Russell, chief preventive medicine, “and virtually no one dies of cutaneous anthrax. Once the symptoms develop to the point you know it’s anthrax, you treat it and it’s curable.” If someone is exposed, CDC and Fort Riley health officials have antibiotics readily available that can prevent the disease. The Food and Drug Administration has approved three antibiotics for treatment: Penicillin, Doxycycline and Ciprofloxacin. “I understand that many Americans are feeling uneasy. But all Americans should be assured: We are taking strong precautions, we are vigilant, we are determined, the country is alert, and the great power of the American nation will be felt,” said President George W. Bush in his radio address to the nation Oct. 13.



Post/Heckler

Sgt. John Hackett, 3rd Brigade sniper team section leader conducts sighting procedures with his rifle during down time during the 3rd Brigade's NTC rotation.

# Sniper

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“It is the best feeling sitting on an observation post and taking out a crew,” said Howard. He said that during one mission his team engaged an OPFOR humvee team in which he shot the gunner first and ended up shooting the whole crew before they knew what happened. “By the time they figured out what was going on they were all dead and the observer had to tell them what hit them,” said Howard. The close-knit nature of the team carries back to camp. During the rotation the squad played hunting games to sharpen their skills. “We try to get time together and go out as a section,” said Villapando. “We go out and drink a couple of beers and tell war stories.” For this squad the ultimate story is of a job well done. “There is such an adrenaline rush of being with one other guy, taking down the enemy and not getting caught,” said Villapando.

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# Rude awakening: Point us toward the battlefield

By *Peter Chadwick*  
19th Public Affairs Det.

**FORT IRWIN, Calif.**—Booming explosions from incoming mortar rounds punctuated the staccato reports of scattered small-arms fire as soldiers received a rude 6 a.m. wake-up call.

Then, adding insult to injury came the cry that meant brown-bag breakfast for the assaulted troopers.

Gas! Gas! Gas!

Although the gunfire and explosions were pyrotechnic simulations, the gas was not.

One Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Brigade, 1st Armored Division soldier was snatching a few precious moments of sleep after a late night duty right before the Opposing Forces “alarm” went off.

“I was just coming awake to the sound of gun-fire when I heard the “pop” outside my tent,” said MSgt. Patrick Djondo, the “Bulldog Brigade’s” logistics

noncommissioned officer in charge.

Djondo said the sound was a CS (tear gas) canister opening up and soon he was engulfed in smoke.

He described a scene of irritation and confusion that comes with an unexpected attack.

Unexpected, and yet, anticipated. Within minutes of the engagement’s start, the compound’s soldiers were at the ready to repel the assault.

This particular unit that came under attack was not a front line unit but the Brigade Support Area. They are considered to be a rear area element.

But, rear echelon does not necessarily mean safe haven. Even in the Division Support Area, which is even further back from the battlefield than the BSA.

“There are two wars,” said SSgt. Diego Sanchez, heavy equipment operator, Headquarters Platoon, 24th Transportation Company. “The soldiers fighting in the front and the logistic war on

parts and maintenance.

“Everybody knows the enemy wants to cut logistics,” said Sanchez, whose unit falls under the 541st Maintenance Battalion. “We’re a target because we supply everything.

“Cut off supplies and the war fighter suffers.”

Sanchez, a force protection sergeant, leads the Area Damage Control Team for his company. He said each company is responsible for its own area. When there are not enough personnel for a stationary force, roving patrols are initiated.

Sanchez said each section in the company takes a turn walking the perimeter at the DSA.

There are also towers at key positions. Each tower must have two soldiers in it at all times.

“When we’re attacked, we react,” said Sanchez.

Sanchez said the ADCT, on call

24-hours-a-day, mans pre-set hasty positions and reinforces the gate.

The gate is manned around the clock and has an M2, .50-caliber machine gun at its location.

Pvt. 2 Paul Inman, 2nd Heavy Equipment Transport Detachment, 24th Trans. Co., is part of the gate guard rotation.

“I haven’t been part of an enemy engagement yet,” said Inman, a heavy vehicle operator. “But I’ve spotted enemy vehicles and reported them.”

Part of the soldiers’ responsibilities is to report enemy vehicles and “Civilians on the Battlefield” to operations.

Spec. Jason Philip, a radio/telephone operator in the DSA Tactical Operations Center, heard a report of “unidentified personnel” in the area during a noontime attack.

“We heard them tell the (radio)

retransmission site to move back,” said Philip, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 541st Maint. Bn. We heard they were destroyed.”

Philip, a multimedia illustrator, said the attitude during the attack went from training to real life. The adrenalin began pumping and everything they’d been taught became second nature.

“For the first time I realized it was real stressful,” said Philip.

He said they were ordered into Mission Oriented Protective Posture level four and traffic was coming in from all directions.

MOPP dictates the protective clothing each soldier must have on at a given level. MOPP four requires protective over-garments, boots, gloves and hooded mask.

Philip said at this point the DSA checked for 100 percent accountability of all soldiers and

sensitive items like weapons. He said, because of the extreme heat and the heaviness of the MOPP gear, they also checked that there were no real life heat casualties among the troops.

At this time, a two-person team tests the area for contaminants.

Once the area is declared safe, unmasking procedures are conducted and, eventually, “all clear” is sounded. At the all clear, soldiers go to MOPP 0 or normal uniform.

While this is taking place, work continues.

“I was just coming on duty at the TOC for guard duty,” said Spec. Andrew Stewart, small weapons repairman, 1st Maintenance Company, 541st. “The call came for MOPP four.”

Stewart said they got into their protective gear, dropped the tent flaps to keep out any contamination and continued their mission.

## Supplying warriors keeps unit busy

By *Peter Chadwick*  
19th Public Affairs Det.

**FORT IRWIN, Calif.**—Since Alexander the Great led large forces of men, commanders have struggled with keeping their soldiers supplied during sustained operations.

Soldiers at first carried what they could and lived off the land for the rest. Then came the advent of packing supplies on “beasts of burden” and animal-drawn carts and wagons.

During the “Punitive Expedition” against Pancho Villa in 1916, Brig. Gen. John J. Pershing led the use of trucks in a tactical setting. This was the first time America’s Army had done this abroad.

Through many changes of style and durability, the transporters’ “work horse” has evolved into the Palletized Loading System.

“They are an awesome piece of equipment,” said Sgt. Jessie Jackson, operations section, 24th Transportation Company, 541st Maintenance Battalion. It’s got a good, big motor...an eight cylinder Detroit diesel.”

Jackson, drivers training non-commissioned officer, said the equipment they have in their unit was built and fielded in 1994.

PFC Jerome Bustillos, heavy equipment operator, 24th Trans. Co., said the M1075 Tractor weighs around 52,000 pounds empty, is nearly 130 inches high and pretty much goes everywhere.

“If you know how to drive, you won’t get stuck,” said Bustillos. “It has ten wheel drive. It climbs anything.”

“It will climb a 30 percent grade fully loaded,” said Spec. Charles Shepard, Bustillos co-driver. Shepard said the PLS has practically replaced its predecessors.

Not only is the system powerful but also the transporter can get in with his load and out with the truck quickly.

Previous transport vehicles had to be off-loaded by cranes or forklifts. The PLS has pallets known

as flat racks that can be picked up and dropped off by the powerful mechanical arm attached to the tractor.

The racks, weighing a little over 3,000 pounds empty, are loaded with cargo and pulled up onto the truck. If a trailer is used, the first rack is pushed onto the trailer and the second pulled up onto the truck. The process is revered once the drivers reach the delivery site.

“With this system, you drop your load, grab your straps and go,” said Shepard. “With good crew, you can drop and be clear in ten minutes. Bustillos and I have done it in less than ten.

Speed is important to safe guard the driver and vehicle in time of combat. The less time the truck stays in one place, the less it’s likely to become a target.

Jackson said the truck and an accompanying trailer can carry a little more than 16,000 pounds of cargo each. The vehicle could carry more but the arm can only lift that much.

The racks have to be recovered for later use. Sometimes the unit being supplied doesn’t move. In that case, each delivery is a one-for-one exchange . . . drop the full one pick up the empty.

But more often than not, the unit moves on and leaves the pallet behind.

Shepard said the convoy commander takes a “plugger” reading so the can find the rack again. The plugger uses satellites to determine position.

Shepard said if it’s one of his, he could find it during the day with out the plugger.

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Oct. 6	Houston	(W)28-14
Oct. 13	ECU	(L)49-26
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Oct. 27	Tulane	
Nov. 3*	AF	
Nov. 17*	Memphis	
Dec. 1	Navy	
*Away games		

## Army Boxing applications due Nov. 5

*By Kevin Doheny*  
*Staff Writer*

Soldiers interested in being considered for Morale, Welfare, and Recreation all-Army boxing and wrestling trial camps must submit applications to the sports office by Nov. 5.

Women are also encouraged to apply for both sports.

For the first time in all-Army sports history, women will get a chance to compete in an all-Army women's boxing championship.

"It think it's a great opportunity for the women to compete for all-Army boxing," said Billy Mack, of the sport office, and former boxing coach here. "They should get the chance to participate in all the sports that the men do."

For women boxers, the weights are: 95-pound class, 100-pound class, 106-pound light flyweights, 112-pound flyweights, 119-pound bantamweights, 125-pound featherweights, 132-pound lightweights, 139-pound light welterweights, 147-pound welterweights, 156-pound light middleweights, 165-pound middleweights, 178-pound light heavyweights, 201-pound heavyweights, and the 201-pound and above super heavyweights.

Mack admits Army PT isn't enough to be competitive in the ring though.

"What people don't realize is that you can be in shape for Army PT, but being in shape for boxing is totally different," said Mack. "Ninety percent of the people don't hit the free-weight room for PT. Also during normal boxing workouts, a person needs to work on running at least 10 miles, two or three time a week, shadow boxing, sparring and footwork drills."

Weight classes for women wrestlers range from 101.25 pounds to 165 pounds.

Although there has never been an Armed Forces Wrestling championship for women, women from the Marine Corps have wrestled in the national championships.

Female soldiers will participate in both boxing and wrestling as long as they have an opponent in their weight class from one of the other services.

Since the number of slots available for women is yet to be determined, all interested women should submit an application.

No previous boxing experience is required to submit the application to the Sports Office.

The All-Army Boxing Trial Camp is scheduled for Jan. 4 - Feb. 10, 2002, at Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

The Army box-off will be held Jan. 22-25. The All-Army Wrestling Trial Camp will be held Feb.4 - Mar. 27, 2002, with the Army championships set for Mar. 1-2.

Interested soldiers must submit a Department of the Army form 4762-R, Athlete's Application, through the sports office.

Details are available from local MWR sports directors.

Soldiers' participation is contingent upon their commanders' approval and release.

The Army sports program is a Morale, Welfare and Recreation activity of the U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center.

# Fort Riley Sports



MP running back Jason Bennett looks for a pass from quarterback Jerry Retian during their 55-19 victory over the Engineers. Bennett would catch another for a score and also pass for one. The MPs play the 24th Infantry Division on Monday at Sturgis Field at 5:30 p.m.

## MPs lock-up Engineers, 55-19

*By Kevin Doheny*  
*Staff Writer*

The right plays at the right times were the difference in the 300th Military Police Company's 55-19 win over 937th Engineer Group at Sturgis Field Wednesday.

The MPs took control of the game early with solid defense and an explosive offense.

"We had a good balance between offense and defense tonight," said Ian Pitcavage after the game. "Our defense really stepped it up tonight."

The MPs had no problem out of the gates. Their first drive was quick and was executed flawlessly.

On the third play of the game, quarterback Jerry Retian scampered in the end zone on a quarterback keeper. The extra point try was successful when John Pontius caught a ball deflected by Pitcavage in the back of the end zone.

After a turnover on downs by the Engineers, the MP offense had possession deep in Engineer territory.

They wasted no time in scoring, as running back Jason Bennett passed to receiver Mike Saunders for a touchdown. The extra point was good and the score was 14-0 midway through the first quarter.

Down by two scores, the Engineers fought their way down the field for their first score of

the game.

Running back Terrance Hartwell scored the touchdown. He bobbed and weaved his way for the score. The extra point play was successful, and the Engineers were only down by one touch down into the second quarter.

The MPs wasted no time in regaining their two score advantage. Retian tossed to Bennett and he swiftly passed to a wide-open Saunders for another score.

During the extra point attempt, center Travis Dietrich found himself wide open and the ball in his arms. The score was 21-7.

The MP defense then rose to the occasion on the next Engineer possession.

Saunders intercepted a pass from quarterback Oscar Pagan, which would lead to a late second quarter score. The Engineers had one play left in the first half and were unable to score, leaving the score at the half, 28-7.

In the second half, the Engineers offense began to click, as they trotted down the field scoring for the second time in the game.

Pagan passed to Ricardo Reyes for the score. Their two-point try was unsuccessful, making the score 28-13.

After the score by the Engineers, the MPs turned it on to another level.

The MP offense and defense would begin to assert them-

selves.

The MP offense regained possession and scored in just two plays, as Pontius would catch another ball for a touchdown. After getting the ball back immediately, the MP would punch it in for another score. The score was 35-13.

The Engineers would not give up.

On their next possession, they would march down the field, showing pride, and Pagan would trot in from the 3-yard line. The extra point try was no good leaving the score 34-19.

Once again the MP defense rose up. Saunders intercepted two more passes before the game ended, leading to more scoring.

The MPs added three more touchdowns, making the final score 55-19.

"We have been getting hurt a lot lately, we have been giving up some big scores. Our defense shut them down though," said Pitcavage. "We picked up coversages quite well, which helped out a great deal."

On what his team's chances the rest of the season, Pitcavage said, "We are starting to get better. We need to keep going with the defense that we are playing, and the offense needs to keep moving the ball."

The MPs play the 24th Infantry Division, and the Engineers play Company C, 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry Monday at Sturgis Field.



Engineers quarterback Oscar Pagan runs for his life during the second half. Pagan was forced to scramble for most of the game by the MP defense. The Engineers play Monday at Sturgis Field at 8:30 p.m.

## Army team captures Armed Forces soccer crown

*By Richard Bartlett*  
*Army News Service*

**SEATTLE**—The Army team members knew they had won Oct. 5 after beating the Marine Corps 3-2 and watching Navy and second-place Air Force battle to a 2-2 tie, even though the tournament ran through Oct. 6 at Naval Station Everett, Wash.

With a five-point lead going into the final day, there was no chance for the other three teams to gain enough ground to overtake Army.

The final standings showed Army with 16 total points followed by Air Force with 8, Navy 5, and the Marine Corps 4. The results handed the Army team the 2001 Armed Forces men's soccer crown,

officially dethroning the Air Force squad who had won the tournament the two previous years.

"Physically we were ready and I think because of that we were able to outlast the other teams on the field," said Army defender Spec. Charles BonDurant from Mannheim, Germany. "The other three teams were tough, though, and refused to quit."

The second half of the tournament began Oct. 5 when the Marine Corps faced the Air Force.

Staff Sgt. Kevin Edwards of Ramstein Air Force Base, Germany, the Air Force forward, scored first midway through the first half, giving his team a 1-0 lead.

That is the way the score remained until with three minutes left in the game,

the Marine's PFC Dawodu Iridayo of Okinawa, Japan, tied the game with an acrobatic bicycle shot. The game ended in a 1-1 tie.

Game two paired up Army and Navy whose first game to kick off the tournament ended in a 2-2 tie, but Army was determined not to let that happen again. With just under 23 minutes left in the first half, Army drew first blood on a goal by midfielder 1st Lt. Joseph Bailey from Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

In the second half, Army took control, keeping the ball on its own side of the field for most of the game.

With 18:30 minutes left, Army padded its lead when Spec. Victor Markovich of Korea placed a nice setup shot in front of the goal and teammate 1st Lt. John

Krueger blasted it into the net for the score.

"I was surprised at the level of some of the players. They are some very good players," said Navy defender Seaman Apprentice Brandon Bleakley of San Diego, Calif.

On Oct. 5, Army squared off against the Marines, and continued its scoring ways with a goal early in the first half, followed by another later in the first period.

But the Marines regained their composure in the second half scoring two goals of their own, making the score 2-2. With 16 minutes left in the game, Krueger's goal delivered what proved to be the decisive blow for the 3-2 victory. Krueger is from the Nevada National

Guard.

Air Force faced Navy in game two on Oct. 5. The two teams battled to a 2-2 tie, but neither was able to take the lead and the game ended in a tie.

The result garnered just one point in the standings for each team, which put the Army up five points over second place Air Force.

With only one game remaining for each team on Saturday, and three possible points up for grabs, the Army was unofficially the tournament winner as players drenched Army coach SSgt. Agustin Menndez from Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, with Gatorade.

Teams hit the field again on Oct. 6 to





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Youth soccer players battle for the ball during a Pinto League game Tuesday at Colyer Manor.

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decide second, third and fourth place. Navy was pitted against the Marines who had beaten them 5-0 in their first meeting.

Navy jumped out to a 1-0 lead on a goal by Lt. j.g. Lyle Hayes from Norfolk, Va., but the Marine Corps answered right back with a goal of their own and added a second late in the first half, leading 2-1.

Midway through the second period, Navy midfielder Lt. j. g. David Perry of the USS Lake Erie slammed in a goal to tie the game. The score remained tied until with less than a minute left to play in the game, the Navy’s Brandon Bleakley punched one in the net for the 3-2 win and the first victory by the Navy in the tournament.

“Even though it was the last game, it was a good win,” said Navy coach Master Chief Walter Clavijo from San Diego, Calif., who was ejected for arguing a call in the second half.

“If I would have known that getting a red card was what it took for you to win, I would have gotten thrown out the first game,” Clavijo told his players after the game.

Army and Air Force played the second game in a match dominated by Army who increased their standing lead another three points following the 5-0 win.

1st Lt. Adam Florkowski from Fort Polk, La., and Spec. Victor Markovich from Korea scored two goals apiece, and teammate Spc. Orlando Suazovivas from Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, scored one.

“We have a lot of guys that have been together for a while and know each other very well,” said Army coach Menndez. “Out of the 18-man roster, 14 have been together for the past three years. We’re like a family. Tournament wise, everything was perfect.”

Following the final game an awards ceremony took place and top players from all four

teams were selected to the Armed Forces team.

“It was an honor to host these games this year - a lot of great play and perfect weather,” said Capt. Daniel Squires, Naval Station Everett commanding officer.

“I’m going to be lobbying very hard to do it again here next year.”

The entire tournament process was well received by players and coaches as well.

“It was fabulous competition,” said Marine Corps coach Gunnery Sgt. Rick Flores of Camp Pendleton, Calif. “Everybody was out to win and it could have been anybody’s tournament. We played everybody strong. The Army just came in with more experienced players, but we had a good time.

“We had a solid team and had opportunities to win, but we made too many mistakes and that will kill you in this game,” he said.

Standings

Fort Riley Flag Football Standings as of Oct. 15

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A 4-1 FA	3	1	300th MP	4	3
B 4-1 FA	2	2	1st FINANCE	2	7
C 4-1 FA	3	1	1st PSB	5	2
Svc. Bat. 4-1 FA	0	4	HHC 937 EN GP	2	6
Co. C, 1-41 INF	1	2	568 CSE	3	4
Co. B, 125 FSB	4	0	331 SIGNAL	6	1
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# Celebration examines heritage

By Melissa McEntire  
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With the diversity of people that are in our armed forces today, it is important to learn about each other's cultures. It builds respect. It builds teamwork and trust.

Hispanic American Heritage Month began Sept. 15 and ended Oct. 15. In celebration of the month, the Fort Riley Equal Opportunity hosted a celebration Oct. 12 at Riley's Conference Center.

The affair included guest speaker Ralph Gomez, a Korean War veteran, and entertainment by Raul Gomez and Tamara McIntosh, who performed Flamenco Dance and Guitar.

Getting the celebration together was a little tricky this time, according to SFC Brent Boyer, the Non-commissioned Officer of the event.

"We had planned for the event to take place Oct. 10 at Normandy Theater, but to reasons beyond our control, both the date and place changed," he said.

"However, we had a great turnout, despite the changes. Fortunately, the word got out through units and signs, so people knew when and where it was," he said.

So, with a crowd of about 100 soldiers and civilians, guest speaker Ralph Gomez stepped to the podium.

"Because we are celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Korean War, we looked for a Korean War veteran to be our guest speaker," Boyer said. "And he did a fantastic job," he said.

Gomez spoke about his experiences in the Army, as well as the importance of family.

At one time, four of his brothers, as well as himself, were serving in the military.

"It was just amazing to see a man get up and speak about all the good things that he experienced in the Army during a war," Boyer said.

"He just left everyone speechless."

The guest speaker's son, Raul, helped provide entertainment.

"We have had Raul Gomez and Tamara McIntosh perform several times over the years," he said.

"They are wonderful performers," he said.

Not only did they provide entertainment, but they brought the audience into their routine as well.

McIntosh chose two soldiers out of the audience to learn a traditional Flamenco dance as well as teaching a little bit of Spanish to the crowd.

"I think people come to these observances to learn about other's cultures and to celebrate their own," Boyer said.

"And, the food helps. It is great that they get to sample food from other people's cultures. The food made at the Hispanic American Celebration was mostly made from scratch, and it was terrific," he said.

"All in all, I think these celebrations are the best way to promote Equal Opportunity and let people know what we do. And, we just want everyone to come out and participate in each one," said Boyer.

They will not only have a great time, but they'll learn something, too," he said.



SFC Nancy Powell, 3rd Bdg., 75th Div., carefully puts a newly redone late Nineteenth Century beach chair back together. She said she bought the chair for \$20 and then bought new material.

# One person's trash, another's treasure

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While some soldiers stationed at Fort Riley may not believe it, there is plenty to do here for entertainment. Just ask SFC Nancy Powell, 3rd Brigade, 75th Division.

Powell has an interesting hobby, though. She makes the old

into the new.

"I started refurbishing furniture here, actually," she said.

"What happened was, my entertainment center broke during the move out here. I didn't want to go file a claim, and figured it would be faster to just fix it myself," she said.

"After I did the center, I started wondering what else I could do," she said.

Wondering led to a whole new pastime for Powell.

"What I do is go to thrift stores, flea markets and rummage sales to see what I can find," she said.

"If it is a wood item, I strip and sand all of the old varnish or paint off of the item. After that is done, I revarnish it," she said.

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SFC Nancy Powell carefully adds varnish to a 1920s couch table. She stripped the top of the table and added a second color of varnish to give it a two-toned look.



Some of the hard work in refurbishing furniture comes from scraping old paint off. Here, she is working on redoing a chair for a friend.

# New manager determined to improve Sports USA

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There is a new man changing the ways things are run at Sports USA. Some may call him the new law; others, just a new general manager.

His name is Jim Rose and he is here to improve the way things are done around here . . . in a nice way.

"First and foremost, we are here for the soldier," said Rose.

"We want to please soldiers and their families with quality products and great customer service," he said.

Not that good customer service wasn't going on before Rose got here, two months ago. He just wants to improve what was already there.

"Right now, we are tossing around a few ideas

about what to do to improve Sports USA. We are talking about having a family night, where the whole family can come in, eat and play games.

We are also talking about maybe having different theme nights, such as urban night and country night," he said.

"My focus is to please everyone. Some people may look at this facility and think, 'oh this is too family orientated,' or they may think it isn't family orientated enough," he said.

"We want to change that and let people know that

this facility is for everyone," Rose said.

"Also, another thing we are trying to emphasize is that units can use this facility whenever they need it. Right now, we are having a few unit parties here, but we can do more," he said.

"We are here for them," he said.

Unfortunately, the facility is not getting used as much as possible.

"The ironic thing is that lunch is our busiest time. That is wonderful, of course. However, this facility has a dance floor, arcade games, pool tables,

electronic trivia games and a bar. We need to have more people utilize everything in Sports USA, plus eat here," said Rose.

Coming to work here from Germany, Rose was at one time a soldier himself.

"I know what it is like to be a soldier and want to do something in the evenings and weekends," he said.

"I just want everyone to know that Sports USA is the place to do many things."

"There are challenges everyday, as I knew there would be in a community club environment, but I enjoy the work. I really want to make Sports USA the club it was meant to be," he said.

"And if anyone has a comment, suggestion or complaint, I want them to let me know. It is my job to make the environment here as enjoyable for the customers as possible," Rose said.

*"My focus is to please everyone. We want . . . to let people know that this facility is for everyone."*

—Jim Rose  
General Manager, Sports USA



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# Transition assistance required

*By Jeanetta Chart*  
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The key to transition success is knowledge of available services and a firm understanding of how to use them.

By law, all transitioning military personnel are required to receive a preseparation counseling no less than 90 days before leaving active duty.

However, an effective transition requires a lot of planning and action on the part of the transitioning soldier.

Fort Riley’s ACAP personnel strongly recommends that soldiers set up a preseparation counseling appointment at least 180 days prior to separation.

During preseparation counseling, participants learn about benefits and rights, as well as the services that are available.

Soliders are introduced to the DD Form 2648, “Preseparation Counseling Checklist” and assisted in its completion.

The checklist helps identify a soldier’s needs and helps in development of a personal plan for receiving assistance to meet those needs.

This form is so important that

soldiers are not allowed to leave the installation until the form is completed.

Throughout the transition process, soldiers have free access to trained transition assistance counselors who can help modify individual transition plans, secure necessary services, and resolve problems.

To begin the transition process, call 239-2278 or stop by the ACAP Center, Bldg. 210, Rm. 006.

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## Apple Pie Makers

**Jenna Hinkley, age 5, gives her mom, Julie a helping hand Wednesday, by peeling some apples used to make pies for Apple Day. Although the event itself was canceled, the Fort Riley Historical and Archeological Society still sold the pies as a fundraising event.**

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And if it is covered in cloth, she can strip the old and reupholster with the cloth of her choice.

Sounds simple enough, but it is a time consuming, sometimes strenuous job.

“It can take me at least two days to redo a piece, but usually, it takes me longer,” she said.

“And the reason for that is because I simply do not have enough free time to do it,” said Powell.

“What I don’t understand is soldiers who say there is not

enough things to do here. I don’t have enough time to do what I love. I wish I had more time to do it,” she said.

“For me it is something I do to relieve stress, plus when I’m done, I have a priceless, one of a kind piece of furniture,” she said.

Some pieces that Powell has done are chairs, tables and desks.

“One time I made a coffee table out of a stained glass window and sold it for \$300. That was the only piece I’ve sold. If I don’t do a piece for myself, then it is gener-

ally for friends and family,” she said.

The most she has ever bought an old piece for is \$20. “The cost of redoing furniture is not expensive, just time and energy consuming,” she said.

“All I have is a palm sander, jig saw and the ability to see the beauty underneath.”

“One of my favorite quotes is that one person’s trash is another’s treasure,”

And she really makes things into treasures.

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